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In re patent application of:

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## REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 2, 2003

Dear Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified patent application is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and comments below. The Commissioner is authorized to charge \$146.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-1063 (Ref. No. MSFTP217US) for the addition of two dependent claims and a one-month extension fee.

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